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§9-1E-05.

(a) The following persons shall be licensed under this subtitle:

- (1) a person that operates sports wagering;
- (2) a person that operates sports wagering on behalf of a sports wagering licensee, including an online sports wagering operator;
- (3) a person not licensed under item (1) or (2) of this subsection that manages, operates, supplies, provides security for, or provides service, maintenance, or repairs for sports wagering equipment and devices; and
- (4) an individual directly employed in the operation of sports wagering by a sports wagering licensee if the individual does not otherwise hold a valid license under Subtitle 1A of this title.

(b) The Commission may by regulation require a person that contracts with a licensee and the person's employees to obtain a license under this subtitle if the Commission determines that the licensing requirements are necessary in order to protect the public interest and accomplish the policies established by this subtitle.

(c) (1) For all licenses required under this subtitle, if an applicant holds a valid license in this State or another state and the Commission determines that the licensing standards of the issuing agency are comprehensive and thorough and provide similar and adequate safeguards to those provided in this subtitle, the Commission may:

- (i) waive some or all of the requirements of this subtitle; and
- (ii) issue a license to that applicant.

(2) Except as provided under this subtitle or in regulation, the Commission may not waive a requirement under paragraph (1) of this subsection that relates to:

(i) minority business enterprise participation goals and procedures established under § 9-1E-07(b) of this subtitle; or

(ii) a requirement of the Sports Wagering Application Review Commission under § 9–1E–15 of this subtitle.

(d) (1) Except as provided in paragraph (3) of this subsection, on the request of an applicant, the Commission may grant an exemption or a waiver of a licensing requirement or grounds for denial of a license if the Commission determines that the requirement or grounds for denial of a license as applied to the applicant are not necessary to protect the public interest or accomplish the policies established by this subtitle.

(2) On granting to an applicant an exemption or a waiver under this subsection, or at any time after an exemption or a waiver has been granted, the Commission may:

(i) limit or place restrictions on the exemption or waiver as the Commission considers necessary in the public interest; and

(ii) require the person that is granted the exemption or waiver to cooperate with the Commission and to provide the Commission with any additional information required by the Commission as a condition of the waiver or exemption.

(3) Except as provided under this subtitle or in regulation, the Commission may not grant an exemption or a waiver of a licensing requirement adopted by the Sports Wagering Application Review Commission in accordance with § 9–1E–15(h)(2) of this subtitle to implement remedial measures based on the findings of a study of the sports wagering industry and market.

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